
NDSC

ANNUAL BOOK PROJECT

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In 2002 Tracy Hile created the NDSC Book Project as a way to give books to the schools and libraries in the NDSC Convention host city. Tracy's work has placed more than 2200 books into schools and homes throughout the United States.

Her work has helped a countless number of children and adults to see that individuals with Down Syndrome are more alike than different. We wish to applaud and honor the work that Tracy and her committee have done over the past 20 years.

We hope that our work will continue to educate the public and allow those who read about individuals with Down Syndrome to realize "we are more alike than different".



The NDSC decided to restyle the annual book project for 2023 by having a bibliography created that will allow participants to select books for personal use or for their school or public library.

Two lists of books have been created. The first list features books reviewed by standards created by the American Library Association (ALA). The second list features books which have not yet been reviewed using standards developed by ALA.

We hope they help you in in your reading selections and in outreach to both school and public libraries.

Below is a list of children's and young adult titles published between 2013-2023 that have individuals with Down syndrome as a character. These books have been reviewed by sources which use standards established by the American Library Association. Each reviewing source is noted in italics along with the bibliographic information.

ADELMAN, SEAN DR. *Sam's Top Secret Journal.* Raise Expectations LLC, Seattle, Washington. 2012-2014. Grades 3-6. *Kirkus Review.* Available - Amazon. Note: Three book paperback set. \$6.99 each title

AVIS, HEATHER. *Different-A Great Thing to Be!* Waterbrook Press Bus. 2021. Pre-K-2 *School Library Journal.* Available - Amazon \$11.69 Barnes & Noble \$11.69

COTTERILL, JO. *A Storm of Strawberries.* Piccadilly Press. 2019. Grades 4-6. *School Library Journal; Kirkus Reviews.* Available Amazon \$12.20

HART, MELISSA. *Daisy Woodworm Changes the World.* North Star Editions. 2022. Grades 5-9. *Kirkus Reviews; School Library Journal; Publisher's Weekly.* Available - Amazon \$14.59, Barnes & Noble \$14.99

LANGE, ERIN JADE. *Dead Ends.* Bloomsbury, USA Children's. 2013. Grades 10-12. *School Library Journal; Publisher's Weekly; Booklist; Kirkus Reviews.* Available - Amazon \$6.40; Barnes & Noble \$7.49 (eBook)

MOATES, ANNA and PENLAND, ANNA. *Almost Twins.* Almost twins CBC. 2021. Grades 3-5. Available - Amazon \$16.06; Barnes & Noble \$19.99

PERRY, MARY HAAKENSON. *Mystery on Cheechako Island.* Wizard Works, Homer, Alaska. 2016. Grades 4-up. Available - Amazon \$4.99 (Kindle); Barnes & Noble \$4.99 (eBook)

PLOURDE, LYNN. *Best Buddies.* Capstone Press. 2021. Ages 3-5. *Arc Review.* Available - Amazon \$17.99; Barnes & Noble \$15.99

SCOTT, JOYCE. *Unbound: The Life and Art of Judith Scott.* Random House Children's Books. 2021. Grades K-3. *Kirkus Reviews; Publishers Weekly; Library School Journal.* Available - Amazon \$15.39, Barnes & Noble \$18.99

SOTOMAYOR, SONIA. *Just Ask! Be Different, Be Brave, Be You!* Philomel Books. 2019. Grades PreK-3 *Winner of ALA's Schneider Family Book Award.* *Kirkus Reviews; School Library Journal; Booklist.* Available - Amazon \$10.99; Barnes & Noble \$15.99. Also available in a Spanish Edition.

WOODSON, JACQUELINE. *The Day you Begin.* Nancy Paulsen Books. 2018. Grades K-3. *Publisher's Weekly; Kirkus Reviews; School Library Journal; Bulletin of the Center for Children's Books.* Available - Amazon \$11.77. Also available in a Spanish Edition.

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CALDWELL, MEEKA. ***A Friend Like Anian: The First Day of School.*** Brown Baby 321 Publishing. 2020. Grades K-5. Available - Amazon \$13.30. Barnes and Noble \$13.30

DEWITT, KELLY WALLIS. ***Chad's Surprise Balloon Ride.*** Chad's Children's Books. 2019. Grades 3-5. Available - Amazon \$12.00

EWERT, KRISTA. ***This is Ella.*** FriesenPress. 2017. Grades K-2. Available - Amazon \$11.76. Barnes and Noble \$12.99

HAMBLIN, GAIL. ***More Alike Than Different: A Down syndrome Awareness Tale.*** NightinGail Books. 2017. Grades 1-3. Available - Amazon \$14.95. Barnes and Noble \$14.95

KREMER, TEDDY and LANG, DIANE and BUCHANAN, MICHAEL. ***Stealing First: The Teddy Kremer Story.*** Deeds Publishing. 2016. Grades 5-9. Available - Amazon \$6.99 (Kindle)

MARTIN, ANGIE and ETTER, CHERYL. ***Extra: A Tale of Magic, Destiny and Exceptional Friendship.*** BookBaby. 2022. Grades 2-5. Available - Amazon \$13.99. Barnes and Noble \$13.99

QUINBY, DESLIE WEBB and VISOOTSAK, JEANNIE. ***What's Inside of You is Inside of Me, Too: My Chromosomes Make Me Unique.*** Deslie Quinby. 2014. Grades 1-4. Available - Amazon \$9.39

RODRIGUEZ, CONNOR and RODRIGUEZ, FRED and TINNELLY, MARIAN. ***I am Connor.*** Independently Published. 2020. Grades PreK - 5. Available - Amazon \$10.99. Barnes and Noble \$10.99

SHONJA, VONA B. ***Zee Zee Does it Anyway!: A Story About Down Syndrome and Determination.*** Lioness Cove Publishing Co. 2022. Grades K-4. Available - Amazon \$12.99. Barnes and Noble \$12.99

STURKEY, AMY E. ***D is for Down Syndrome.*** Gotcha Apps. LLC. 2017. Grades 1-4. Available - Amazon \$9.99

TOMPKINS, LISA. ***Why Are You Looking At M?: I Just Have Down Syndrome.*** Author House. 2013. Grade 3-4. Available - Amazon \$19.99. Barnes and Noble \$19.99

YARBOROUGH, LORI LEIGH. ***Hannah's Down Syndrome Super Powers.*** OneThreeNine Inspired Press. 2019. Grades 4-6. Available - Amazon \$12.37